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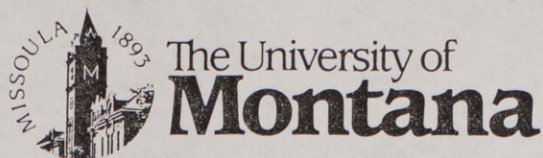
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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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June 18, 2004

### **UM'S ANNUAL REPORT WINS NATIONAL PUBLISHING AWARD**

#### **MISSOULA –**

The University of Montana's annual report has won a Beacon Award for Excellence in Education Marketing from the Association for Educational Publishers.

The award honoring "Confluence," UM's 2003 President's Report, was presented during AEP's annual conference June 9 in Alexandria, Va. The University learned in April that it was among four finalists for the national award. More than 1,400 entries were submitted for consideration, and 119 winners were selected.

The report highlights diversity on the Missoula campus with five short profiles of students and employees, as well as UM's top achievements of the 2002-03 academic year.

The AEP recognition marks the fourth award the 2003 President's Report has received in national and regional competitions this year. In February the report earned a gold award in the Admissions Marketing Report's Admissions Advertising Awards Competition and two silver awards from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education's District VIII.

The report, which includes an introduction written by President George Dennison, was produced by University Relations team members Todd Goodrich, Rita Munzenrider, Cary Shimek and Patia Stephens. It was designed by Karen Slobod, a UM graduate student in fine art.

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